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#### **MESSAGE:**

#### **METHOD OF ESTABLISHING THE TRUSTWORTHINESS LEVEL OF A PARTICIPANT IN A COMMUNICATION CONNECTION**

Application No. 09/743,844  
Examiner T. R. Peeso  
Art Unit 2132

Amendment Transmittal  
Petition and Fee for Extension for Time  
Amendment

CH9-1998-0027US1  
(590.052)

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Any. Docket No. CH0-1903-0027US1  
(590.052)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Binding et al.  
Serial No. : 09/743,844 Examiner : T. R. Peeso  
Filed : August 9, 2001 Group Art Unit : 2132  
For : METHOD OF ESTABLISHING THE TRUSTWORTHINESS LEVEL  
OF A PARTICIPANT IN A COMMUNICATION CONNECTION

HON. COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

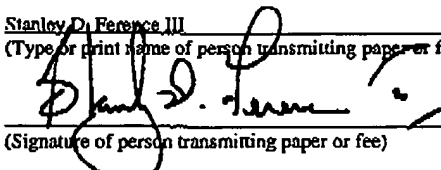
Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

1. ☒ Applicant requests an extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. A Petition for an extension of time is enclosed.
- OR
2. ☒ In the event that an extension of time is required, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.
3. ☐ Small Entity status of this application has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
4. ☐ A verified statement to establish Small Entity status is enclosed.

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL

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5. ☐ Also enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_
6. ☒ No additional filing fee is required.
7. ☒ The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment (Col. 1)	Highest No. Prev. paid for (Col. 2)	Present Extra (Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY			OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
				RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
Total Claims	9	- ** 20	= * 0	x \$25	=	O R	x \$50	= 0
Ind. Claims	3	- *** 3	= * 0	x \$100	=	O R	x \$200	= 0
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dependent Claim Presented				+ \$180	=	O R	+ \$360	=
				<b>TOTAL</b>	= \$	O R	<b>TOTAL</b>	= \$ 0

\* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

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8. ☐ Applicant encloses herewith a check for \$\_\_\_ to cover the filing fee.
9. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$\_\_\_ filing fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0510.
10. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

Respectfully submitted,

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By

  
 Stanley D. Ference III  
 Reg. No. 33,879

 Dated: March 30, 2006

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